

Curriculum Vitae
William Patrick Ridge

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Education

- 2014-present University of Illinois at Chicago Anthropology PhD program, Chicago, IL
- 2014 M.A., Anthropology, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 2011 B.A., Classics, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, *cum laude*

Research Interests

Archaeology; large-scale interaction; social differentiation; demography; regional analysis; network analysis; European prehistory; Hungarian Neolithic and Copper Age; Greek Neolithic and Early Bronze Age periods.

Grants and Funding

- 2017 Chancellor's Graduate Research Award, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2013 Anthropology Alliance Field Internship, Field Museum of Natural History
- 2011 Summer University Grant, University of Arizona
- 2011 National Science Foundation - International Research Experiences for Students (IRES)
Funding to participate and receive training on the Körös Regional Archaeological Project 2011 field season in Eastern Hungary.
- 2010 Hellenic Cultural Foundation Scholarship
- 2006-10 Wildcat Excellence Scholarship, University of Arizona

Publications

- 2018 Parkinson, W.A., **W.P. Ridge**, and A. Gyucha. Village Nucleation and Centralization in the Later Neolithic of Southeastern Europe: A Long-Term, Comparative Approach. In *Communities in Transition: The Circum-Aegean Area*

During the 5th and 4th Millennia BC, edited by S. Dietz, F. Mavridis, Z. Tankosić, and T. Takaoğlu. Oxbow Books: Oxford. Pg. 17-26.

Presentations

- Accepted *I Would Walk 500 Miles: Survey of Copper Age Settlements in Eastern Hungary.* Paper to be presented by **William P. Ridge** at the 84rd Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 10-14 April 2019
- Accepted *Is There Anybody Out There? Copper Age Settlement Survey on the Great Hungarian Plain.* Paper to be presented by **William P. Ridge** at the 120th Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, San Diego, California, 3-6 January 2019
- 2018 *Obsidian Procurement and Exchange in Peru: A Social Network Analysis (SNA).* Poster presented by David A. Reid and **William P. Ridge** at the 83rd Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Washington, DC, 11-15 April 2018.
- 2017 *On we sweep with thrashing oar: Interaction networks in Aegean Prehistory.* Poster presented by **William P. Ridge** at the 82nd Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Vancouver, Canada, 29 March – 2 April 2017.
- 2016 *Alepotrypa Cave and Regional Networks of Southern Greece.* Paper presented by **William P. Ridge** at the 81st Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Orlando, FL, 7-10 April 2016.
- Obsidian Procurement and Exchange in Southern Peru: A Social Network Analysis (SNA).* Paper presented by David A. Reid and **William P. Ridge** at the 2016 Second City Anthropology Conference held at University of Illinois at Chicago, 5 March.
- Estimating Ancient Populations from a Historical Case Study in Southern Greece.* Paper presented by **William P. Ridge** and Rebecca M. Seifried at the 2016 Second City Anthropology Conference held at University of Illinois at Chicago, 5 March.
- Size Matters? A Case Study of Population Estimations from the Mani Peninsula in Greece.* Paper presented by **William P. Ridge** and Rebecca M. Seifried at the 117th Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, San Francisco, CA, 6-9 January 2016.

2014 *Boundaries, Networks, and Interaction in the Neolithic and Bronze Age Aegean.* Paper presented by William A. Parkinson, Daniel Pullen, and **William P. Ridge** at the 20th Annual Meeting for the European Association of Archaeologists, Istanbul, Turkey, 11-14 September 2014.

Separate Clays (Worlds Apart): A Journey into Compositional Studies. Paper presented by **William P. Ridge** and Danielle J. Riebe at the 2014 Second City Anthropology Conference held at University of Illinois at Chicago, 8 March.

Empty Spaces: Settlement and Social Trajectories of the Neolithic Peloponnese. Paper presented at the 115th Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America, Chicago, IL, 2-5 January.

2013 *Village Nucleation and Centralization in the Later Neolithic of Southeastern Europe: A Long-Term, Comparative Approach.* Paper presented by William A. Parkinson, **William P. Ridge**, and Attila Gyucha at the 'Communities in Transition: The Circum-Aegean Later Neolithic Stages' conference held in Athens, Greece, 7-9 June.

Fieldwork

2018 **Untitled Thesis Research Project**, Békés County, Hungary
-Survey and surface collection at possible Middle Copper Age sites as part of my thesis research.

Körös Regional Archaeological Project, Vésztő, Békés County, Hungary
-Excavations at the Neolithic site Szeghalom-Kovácsalom.

Bronze Age Körös Off-Tell Archaeology, Békés, Hungary

2015 **Diros Project**, Pyrgos Dirou, Laconia and Athens, Attica, Greece
-Analyzed ceramics from previous years' excavations

Bronze Age Körös Off-Tell Archaeology, Békés, Hungary
-Excavation and geophysical prospection

2014 **Diros Project**, Pyrgos Dirou, Laconia, Greece
- Led excavations on the Final Neolithic open-air settlement of Ksagounaki.

Byzantine-Ottoman Settlement Study, Mani Peninsula, Laconia, Greece
-Extensive survey and mapping of 15th-19th century settlements

Kea Archaeological Research Survey, Kea, Greece
-Survey team leader

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- 2012 **Körös Regional Archaeological Project**, Vésztő, Békés, Hungary
 -Excavation at Neolithic tell site Szeghalom-Kovácsalom.
- 2011 **Körös Regional Archaeological Project**, Vésztő, Békés, Hungary
 -Participated in the controlled surface collection around the Neolithic tell-site of Szeghalom-Kovácsalom and geophysical investigation (ground penetrating radar and magnetometry). I also conducted my own independent research project with data from the project that examined the relationship between surface collected materials and geophysical anomalies.

Teaching Experience

Lead Instructor

- Fall 2017 Geography 100: Concepts in Geography, University of Illinois at Chicago
 Spring 2017 Geography 100: Concepts in Geography, University of Illinois at Chicago
 Spring 2016 Anthropology 229: The Prehistory of the Eastern Mediterranean: from Neanderthals to Bronze Age Kingdoms
 - A course that I developed myself and had never been taught at UIC.

Teaching Assistant

- Fall 2018 Anthropology 105: Introduction to Human Evolution, University of Illinois at Chicago
 Spring 2018 Anthropology 102: Introduction to Archaeology, University of Illinois at Chicago
 -Also Lab Manager for the course
 Fall 2016 Anthropology 102: Introduction to Archaeology, University of Illinois at Chicago
 Fall 2013 Anthropology 102: Introduction to Archaeology, University of Illinois at Chicago
 Spring 2013 Anthropology 105: Human Evolution, University of Illinois at Chicago
 Fall 2012 Geography 100: Concepts in Geography, University of Illinois at Chicago

Other Appointments

- 2014-15 Research Assistant, The Field Museum of Natural History
 -Bulgaria for America Foundation; Eurasian Lab
- 2014 Research Assistant, The Field Museum of Natural History
 -Elemental Analysis Laboratory. Analyzed ceramic, clay, and glass samples using the LA-ICP-MS.

Service

- 2017-18 Brown Bag Lecture Series Organizer, Anthropology Department, University of Illinois at Chicago
- Public Relations Head, Second City Anthropology Conference 2018, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2016 Presentations Committee, Second City Anthropology Conference 2016, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2015 Vice President, Geography and Anthropology Graduate Association, University of Illinois at Chicago
- Guest lecture, “Theopetra Cave from the Palaeolithic to Now.” American School of Classical Studies in Athens Summer Session. Meteora, Greece.
- Guest speaker, “Archaeology and Ancient Culture in Greece.” North High School. Sheboygan, WI.
- Guest speaker, “Archaeology: Studying the Past.” Saint Joseph’s Academy. Joliet, IL.
- 2014 Guest speaker, “Archaeology and Greece’s Ancient Past.” North High School. Sheboygan, WI

Professional Affiliations

- Archaeological Institute of America
- Society of American Archaeology
- American School of Classical Studies in Athens